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LTGEN (COLONEL GENERAL IN AFGHAN PARLANCE) ABDUL KARIM MOSTAGHNI IS CHIEF OF STAFF OF AFGHAN MILITARY FORCES. MOSTAGHNI'S TINY TIME SIZE AND RETIRING WAYS SURPRISE PERSONS USED TO A MORE MACHO MILITARY IMAGE. BUT HIS LONG CAREER IN A DIFFICULT TRADE IN DIFFICULT POLITICAL CIRCUMSTANCES PROVES HIS TOUGHNESS. HE IS ABOUT 57, AND LATELY HAS BEEN ILL WITH STOMACH TROUBLE. THERE HAS BEEN A SPATE OF KABUL RUMORS THAT MOSTAGHNI IS STRONGLY OPPOSED BY SOME OF THE NEW REGIME'S MORE LEFT LEANING MEMBERS, AND THAT HE MAY BE ON THE WAY OUT. THERE WAS AT LEAST ONE EARLIER MAJOR EFFORT TO UNSEAT HIM. BUT HE CONTINUES ON IN OFFICE, AND HIS LONGSTANDING PERSONAL LOYALTY TO DAOUD MAY FURTHER PROLONG HIS TENURE.
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